8 November 1956

MEMORRANDUM FOR: Office of General Counsel

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: Request for Separation Allowance -

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1. Attached is a request for the payment of Separation Allowance for prepared on his behalf by WE Division.

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- 2. The question for resolution, based on the facts presented on the request for Separation Allowance, is whether the separation of from his wife is to be considered personal or whether the separation is for the convenience of the Government, notwithstanding the fact that the request has been approved by the Contract Personnel Division.
- 3. It is the opinion of this office that justification for the granting of a Separation Allowance must be sought in the Regulations (Standardized Regulations, Government Civilians, Foreign Areas, Section 260) and this justification, once established, must be presented on the request for Separation Allowance. No justification in consonance with the applicable regulation appears on the face of the attached request for Separation Allowance.
- 4. Your opinion is therefore requested as to whether the attached request for Separation Allowance may be honored by this office based on the facts presented.

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Chief, Payroll and Travel Branch, Finance Division

Attachment: Form 33-68